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SUBJECT: ELEVEN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ENROLL FOR JULY 9
ELECTIONS

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1. WHEN THE ELECTORAL COURT'S ROLES CLOSED OFFICIALLY AT MIDNIGHT, JUNE 9, ELEVEN CANDIDATES HAD REGISTERED TO RUN FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF BOLIVIA. AS EXPECTED (REFTEL), VICTOR PAZ ESTENSSORO, UNABLE TO REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH HERNAN SILES ZUAZO, DECIDED TO GO FORWARD WITH HIS OWN PRESIDENTIAL BID. PAZ' RUNNING MATE WILL BE PRA LEADER AND FORMER MNR COLLEAGUE WALTER GUEVARA ARZE. SOMEWHAT SURPRISINGLY, SILES ZUAZO OPTED AGAINST NAMING MIR CO-LEADER JAIME PAZ ZAMORA AS HIS VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, CHOOSING INSTEAD EDIL SANDOVAL MORON OF THE SANTA CRUZ-BASED MOVEMENT OF THE NATIONA LEFT (MIN). PAZ ZAMORA WILL RUN FOR THE SENATE ON SILES ZUAZO'S UDP TICKET, AS WILL SILES' HALF-BROTHER, LUIS ADOLFO SILES SALINAS.

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2. INSCRIBED AS THE VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE ON JUAN PEREDA'S TICKET WAS ALFREDO FRANCO GUACHALLA, A FORMER LABOR MINISTER AND PRO-GOVERNMENT MNR LEADER. THE PEREDA CANDIDACY WAS ALSO SUPPORTED BY THE MNR-P (THE "PEOPLE'S" MNR), WHICH PRESENTED AN ALTERNATIVE SLATE WITH MNR-P LEADER JAIME ARELLANO AS THE VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE.

3. IN SIMILAR FASHION, THE CANDIDACIES OF RENE BERNAL AND HIS RUNNING MATE REMO DI NATALE WERE ADVANCED BY BOTH THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS (PDC) AND THE MARGINAL ORIENTAL RURAL PARTY, WHICH SUBMITTED A SEPARATE SLATE FOR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BENI AND PANDO DEPARTMENTS. IN A MANEUVER THAT IS APPARENTLY LEGAL BECAUSE IT IS NOT EXPLICITLY PROSCRIBED BY THE ELECTORAL LAW, BERNAL AND DI NATALE ALSO APPEAR ON THE PDC BALLOT AS CANDIDATES FOR THE SENATE AND THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, RESPECTIVELY, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ORURO.

4. BY THIS SAME LOGIC, JAIME PONCE CABALLERO IS BOTH JOSE PATINO'S RUNNING MATE AND CANDIDATE FOR THE SENATE FROM CHUQUISACA (SUCRE) ON THE FSB (GUTIERREZ-WING) TICKET.

5. LISTED BELOW ARE THE PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES FOR THE JULY 9 ELECTIONS:

FOR PRESIDENT	FOR VICE PRESIDENT
A. JUAN PEREDA ASBUN (UNP)	ALFREDO FRANCO GUACHALLA (UNP)
	JAIME ARELLANO (MNR-P)

B. HERNAN SILES ZUAZO (UDP) EDIL SANDOVAL MORON (UDP)

C. VICTOR PAZ ESTENSSORO
(MNR-PRA) WALTER GUEVARA ARZE (MRN-PRA)
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DE. RENE BERNAL ESCALANTE (PDC) REMO DI NATALE (PDC)

E. JOSE PATINO AYOROA (FSB) JAIME PONCE CABALLERO (PDC)

F. MARCELO QUIROGA SANTA CRUZ CARLOS GOMEZ GARCIA (PS)
(PS)

G. ENRIQUE RIVEROS (FSB-I) HECTOR PEREDA (FSB-I)

H. LUCIANO TAPIA (TUPAC KATARI ISIDORO COPA CAYO (MITK)
INDIAN MOVEMENT-MITK)

I. CASIANO AMURRIO (LEFTIST DOMITILA DE CHUNGARA (FRI)
REVOLUTIONARY FRONT-FRI)

J. WALTER GONZALES VALDA OCTAVIO LAZO DE LA VEGA (PUB)
(BOLIVIAN UNION PARTY-PUB)

K. RAFAEL OTAZO (NATIONALIST AND GONZALO ROMERO# (ARUNP)
POPULAR UNION FOR REVOLUTIONARY
ACTION-ARUNP)

ROMERO, WHO CLAIMS HE WAS NOT CONSULTED BY THE ARUNP, HAS
ASKED THAT HIS NAME BE WITHDRAWN.
A COMPLETE LIST OF SENATORIAL AND DEPUTY CANDIDATES WILL BE
POUCHED AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.
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